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There have been numerous inquiries concerning the excessive cost of building permits for large, open-volume buildings such as barns, silos, greenhouses, warehouses, and other agricultural, recreational, and storage-use buildings.

The regulations provide for varying the unit rate for "... different occupancy groups or structures of different sizes within the same occupancy group ..." [N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.18(c)1.v]. Since the time required for plan review and inspection is significantly less than for other building types and (use) groups, a lower unit rate for the computation of the permit fee should be used.

It is therefore recommended that each municipality review and amend its fee schedule, as necessary, to reduce the permit fee to a more acceptable level.

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